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Senate Armed Services Committee published yesterday hoarings of recent testimony on FY 1964 defense appropriations in which

Secretary McNamara responded to query unvavexweveveveveveveve

by Senator Symington who asked whether we could cut expenditures and gold flow by pulling back some forces such as from Korea and

Spain.

McNamara replied we have asked ourselves this question but with one exception he did not know of any elements in FY 1964 US force structure abroad that he would recommend for reduction. He thought MAP commitments should be generally reduced in FY 1964 and subsequent years. He then said QUOTE I do man believe we can reduce our foreign base structure, not at the demandx of the Russians, but because our systems, Polaris and otherwise, are providing us with capabilities that we did not have in the past. I think we can, for example, substantially move out of the Moroccan bases. I say substantially because I think there willink would be certain elements of those bases we will wish to continue, but we can greatly reduce the cost of maintaining them. wo can do exactly what you have in mind, move substantially out

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of the Spanish bases. As the B-47 goes down, I think this is entirely appropriate. I think we can move out of the British bases to a considerable degree, and should do so. UNQUOTE. WNW

Foregoing provided in event GOS raises this with you. Jack Raymond advised Defense that New York Times Madrid bureau reports hand finom which Madrid humann subject may be on Cabinet agenda today.

NKNKNYNNNKNYNNKNYNNKNYNNKNYNNKNYNNKK You should avoid getting into K or and repeating statements about Moroccan bases and should GOS query these you should observe that testimony given prior visit here by King. END.

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